

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Ferrara et al.	Examiner:	Huynh, Phuong N.
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the communication mailed January 5, 2007, the period of response being extended from April 5, 2007 to July 5, 2007.

Please charge Deposit Account 13-2725 in the amount of \$1020 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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